

Senate Resolution 115 - Introduced

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 115

BY COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

1 A Resolution in support of the Jewish State of
2 Israel and a negotiated settlement resulting in a
3 Palestinian State.

4 WHEREAS, the State of Iowa and the State of Israel
5 have a deep history of friendship and are allies in
6 support of each other's interests; and

7 WHEREAS, the State of Israel, the only democracy in
8 the Middle East, is a genuine friend and strategic ally
9 of the United States in the Middle East; and

10 WHEREAS, the Iowa Senate recognizes the importance
11 of expressing support for the Jewish people and
12 the State of Israel's right to exist and right of
13 self-defense; and

14 WHEREAS, the Iowa Senate recognizes that the
15 Palestinian people have the right to live in peace with
16 stability and the right of self-determination; and

17 WHEREAS, strong cultural, economic, social,
18 business, governmental, and educational relationships
19 exist between the State of Iowa and the State of Israel
20 and between the State of Iowa and the Palestinian
21 people; and

22 WHEREAS, Iowans of all faiths remain committed
23 to a two-state solution, a Jewish homeland, and
24 a Palestinian state living side-by-side in peace,
25 prosperity, and security as envisioned by the historic
26 Oslo Accords; and

27 WHEREAS, legitimate concerns regarding future
1 relations between Israelis and Palestinians are best

2 addressed through the pursuit and realization of
3 a negotiated settlement resulting in a two-state
4 solution; and

5 WHEREAS, the Iowa Senate recognizes that a two-state
6 solution is the best way for Israel to achieve
7 long-term international recognition and security and
8 for the Palestinian people to achieve their national
9 aspirations; NOW THEREFORE,

10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Iowa Senate
11 recognizes and reaffirms its support of the Jewish
12 State of Israel as well as its support for a negotiated
13 settlement resulting in a Palestinian State with the
14 right of self-determination living in peace next to the
15 State of Israel; and

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Iowa Senate
17 supports Iowans of all backgrounds and of all faiths
18 in seeking peace and justice for all people and swift
19 resolutions to conflicts around the globe.